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OR98-2962

Dear Ms. Brown:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 120159.

The City of Dallas Police Department received a request for listings of police service calls from a particular area. You submitted a representative sample of information you say is responsive to the request, but seek to withhold some of the information under section 552.101 of the Government Code, in conjunction with section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code.

Section 552.101 of the Government Code requires withholding information made confidential by statute. Section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code makes caller's telephone numbers and addresses furnished by computerized 9-1-1 service suppliers or business service users confidential. See Open Records Decision No. 649 (1996). To the extent that the 9-1-1 call information at issue here was furnished by a service supplier or business service user under Health and Safety Code chapter 772, subchapter D, of which

In reaching our conclusion, we assume that the "representative sample" of records submitted to this office is truly representative of the requested records as a whole. See Open Records Decision No. 499 (1988), 497 (1988) (where requested documents are numerous and repetitive, governmental body should submit representative sample; but if each record contains substantially different information, all must be submitted). This open records letter does not reach, and therefore does not authorize the withholding of, any other requested records to the extent that those records contain substantially different types of information than that submitted to this office.

section 772.318 is a part, we agree that originating telephone numbers and addresses are confidential and must be withheld.²

We are resolving this matter with an informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the particular records at issue under the facts presented to us in this request and should not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other records. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,

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Enclosures: Submitted documents

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²Open Records Decision No. 649 (1996) notes that of subchapters B, C, D, and E of chapter 772, "Local Administration of Emergency Communications," subchapters B,C, and D contain identical confidentiality provisions. *See* Health and Safety Code §§ 772.118, 772.218, and 772.318. Subchapter E, however -- "Emergency Communication Service: Counties with Population over 1.5 Million" -- contains no such confidentiality provision.